



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kazuo OKADA

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For: GAMING MACHINE

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Examiner: D. W. Duffy

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2006, the period for response being extended to May 7, 2007, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1-4 are amended and claims 5-18 are added.